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gives each of standing on the shoulders of chemists and naturalists and mathematicians; and, as was to be expected, the grammarian sometimes saw what these suggested rather than what was there. At all events the words fell from his eyes for a space, and he saw the novel relations which the scientists behold. But is there any book, is any book possible, that would give to young and to some of us who are old, *before* we come to the *study* of language, some conception of the variety and complexity of the resemblances and differences—in brief, of the classes and classifications of relations, or whatever more subtle grouping of relations there may be?

It has affected the insight of some whom I know that their first introduction, or attempted introduction, to these relations (poor relations, long kept in the background) was simultaneous with their introduction to common noun, collective noun, subject of a verb, and so forth; and their first glimpse of a classification (the properties of which need not be left to be learned in some college class in Logic) was in that distribution "for convenience" of the Moods into Indicative, Subjunctive, Optative, Infinitive, and Participial. Is there then no concern for the salvation of precious intellects?

Had it not been the hot month of July, had more time been allotted us, had you been disposed to listen, my theme should have been: The desirableness and even the necessity of a descriptive science (not a deductive science) of relations—at least, of some relations, those, namely, implied in the forms of language; these relations, however, being treated apart from language, in, by and of themselves, and compared with other kindred relations, which language has hitherto no form to express; to which is further appended the suggestion of the need of a new and strange nomenclature of these relations, that our minds may be exempt from the misleading associations of the current grammatical vocabulary.

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- 1 P I date line: Vol III should read Vol II.
- 2 P I col 1 ¶ 13: B G I 42 should read B G I 41.

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